

**CHILLIWACK TENNIS SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2020**

Location: Chilliwack Landing Sports Centre, Loft Meeting Room

Present: Gudrun Anderson, Jeff Frederick, Matt Ralph, Cynthia Smith, Phil Dacre, Mark Turner, Patti Turner, Ted Booth, Bryan Stevenson, Andrea Oke, Peter Li, Susan Hutcheon (Recorder)

CALL TO ORDER: 6:33 p.m.

P. Turner/M/ Turner

That we adopt the agenda

CARRIED

Frederick/Stephenson

That we approve the minutes of the May 6, 2019 AGM

There was no discussion arising from the 2019 AGM

CARRIED

1. REPORTS FOR 2019

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gudrun provided a summary of activities and issues from the 2019 calendar year.

See attached for her full report.

P. Dacre/P. Turner

That we accept the President's Report

CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT

Matt provided a detailed review of revenues and expense for the 2019 calendar year, with comparisons to 2018 and 2017 reports.

See attached for details.

M.Turner/B. Stephenson

That we accept the Treasurer's Report

CARRIED

SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jeff provided a review of the tournaments that were run in 2019 and winners, and the Christmas Dinner.

YOUTH TENNIS CAMPS

Phil reported on a successful summer of outdoor tennis camps and youth indoor tennis lessons through the winter season. A total of 63 children attended the outdoor camps, 33 girls and 30 boys. Indoor youth tennis lessons included 26 participants, 14 girls and 12 boys. Camps were broken into age groups as follows: 5-8 year-olds, 9-12 year-olds, and 13+ age group.

Phil continues to have challenges finding enough indoor court times to meet the demand for lessons. Phil has also taken on the role of Ambassador for Youth Programs with TennisBC for the Fraser Valley area. The focus this year is on providing tennis programs for youth in schools and with special needs groups. He also participated in the TennisBC Youth International Olympics Day program held in Richmond this past year. Phil's long-term goal is to provide youth and adults with the opportunity for tournament play once the new indoor facility is built.

2. INDOOR FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Phil has returned as President of this committee after a year off. The committee now consists of Phil, Gudrun, Mark Turner and Stephanie Key. Patti Turner has also been instrumental in providing input and detailed drawings on proposed facility plans. Patti posted drawings of the 2nd draft of the proposed facility as provided by the City Recreation Department. Updated costs for the facility are pending from the City. Mark provided a synopsis of the past year's meetings, changes in direction with the inclusion of the Squash club, the group tour of existing facilities in the Vancouver area and the priorities for our tennis members. The squash club and tennis group are in agreement on the priorities for development. Mark reported the City has been very receptive to any suggestions made by each group as the planning continues. One of the main challenges continues to be a decision on how the new building will be managed once it is built. Currently there is a request for additional funding from the federal government being put forward by the City with input from the tennis and squash clubs. If successful we could receive funding for up to 75% of the total costs.

3. TENNIS BC MEMBERSHIP

Gudrun provided a history of how we came to join the TennisBC organization. It was suggested at the time that we adopt **the Gold Club** membership format to allow for tournament play for any of our members. Last year a more detailed review of the criteria for each type of membership showed we were better served by adopting a less expensive category and putting the savings toward our own local organizational needs.

It is understood that any members wanting to participate in TennisBC tournaments in 2021 will have to obtain their own individual Tennis BC membership.

P. Turner/B. Stephenson

That we change our TennisBC membership from **Gold Club** category to **Recognized Tennis Association**.

CARRIED (*unanimously*)

NOTE: The current **CTS** membership dues will remain the same as last year.

4. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021

PRESIDENT: Phil Dacre – acclaimed as incoming new President

VICE PRESIDENT: Gudrun Anderson – acclaimed as incoming new Vice-President

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR: Matt Ralph – acclaimed in this position for a 2nd term

SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Jeff Frederick – acclaimed in this position for a 4th term

RECORDING SECRETARY: Patti Turner – acclaimed as incoming new Secretary

MEMBER AT LARGE: Andrea Oke – acclaimed in this position for a 2nd term

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

President's Report: Year of 2019 in review

Presented at the Chilliwack Tennis Society AGM, October 23, 2020 (*previous AGM – May 6, 2019*)

From January to March during the indoor season more spares than usual were needed which created a lot of work for organizers. From October to December most players returned but some places could not be filled. While booking 4 courts on Saturday only 3 could be occupied which resulted in a loss of revenue for the society.

Outdoor season with drop-ins continued after May but issues with installed benches at Watson Glen which were too high and other obstacles needed to be addressed to make courts safe. A proposed court rule sign was not adopted by the City and court management has again been a challenge with making city officials understand that people in the Chilliwack Tennis Society are general public. Youth drop-ins as suggested at the last AGM were not organized as no volunteers could be found.

Also, according to some, the format of play with inviting players to rotate in or mixing up was not happening like in the past. I could not find a permanent organizer while I was gone, as I hoped players would continue the previous pattern on their own. I regret that I was not able to attend the summer last year and put up our banners during drop-in.

However, the membership at the end of the year rose to 85 members (9 more than the previous year) and with Patti's help new members were involved in the indoor season. Patti has also done an incredible job keeping members informed and connected on a regular basis with newsletters, scheduling the indoor morning groups, making playlists and supporting our club with many other tasks. Her dedication and time are to be applauded.

During the year the executive met several times deciding on issues regarding events and other items to best serve the members. I want to thank Susan for meticulously recording all our meetings so we never lost focus of our tasks.

Social directors Jeff and Andrea have again made sure players had fun last summer with events, and also organized our annual Christmas party at The Falls.

I also want to thank Matt for making payments and tracking much easier with E-transfer options.

Our Indoor Facility Committee, chaired by Phil continued to work very hard with the City of Chilliwack. I want to thank all committee members Phil, Mark and Stephanie who have done an incredible amount of research leading us closer to our goal, with a special thank you again to Patti for recording meetings and design skills. It has been also discussed to change our relationship with Tennis BC next season as we think it is not necessary to provide all club members with a Tennis BC membership for playing tournaments.

I have decided after 11 years since founding the Chilliwack Tennis Society with the vision of one day having our own indoor facility to step down from my role of president. There are many people who I want to thank who helped during all those years.

First of all, all loyal members who are part of an amazing tennis family. Without everyone's membership support we would not be where we are today and I learned to appreciate every bit of help by volunteers.

It has been a privilege to serve as president, and to have worked together with all of you. Our club has a reputation for being very friendly and inclusive. We must continue that path. I hope that after my surgery and recovery I will be able to join and play again.



Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

Year ended December 31, 2019 (comparative figures from 2018 and 2017)

	2019	2018	2017
Revenues:			
Indoor Tennis Fees	13,738.75	8,210.00	7,513.00
External funding (flow through)	5,276.19	2,216.00	3,610.00
Memberships	2,433.00	2,584.00	2,887.00
New Building Fund	70.00		
Drop-in Fees	1,150.00	571.00	282.00
Tennis ladder	-	-	52.00
Interest	7.62	3.00	3.00
Licenses and fees	-	-	25.00
T Shirts	-	-	300.00
Tennis lessons	3,310.00	2,025.00	-
Social functions	1,558.00	163.00	-
	27,543.56	15,772.00	14,672.00
Expenditures:			
Amortization	-	2.00	4.00
External funding (flow through)	5,880.00	2,216.00	3,610.00
Indoor tennis court fees	10,942.57	8,512.00	7,649.00
Insurance	224.00	220.00	220.00
Licenses and fees	-	25.00	25.00
Office and miscellaneous	-	22.00	-
Social functions	1,961.40	15.00	-
Supplies	727.27	267.00	246.00
Tennis BC memberships	1,640.10	1,317.00	1,358.00
Tennis ladder	-	-	52.00
T Shirts	-	-	-
Tennis Lessons	3,370.00	2,025.00	-
	24,745.34	14,621.00	13,164.00
Profit (loss)	2,798.22	1,151.00	1,508.00

Notes:

1. 2019 financial numbers presented above are reconciled to actual annual VANCITY bank statement
2. Flow through financial transactions for Milan and Phil, net lost \$663.81
3. Increased social function, \$300 2019 vs 2018, Christmas (*approved by executive*)
4. Membership paid to BC Tennis vs collected, 2019 \$862.90, 2018 \$1267, 2017 \$1629
5. 3 year indoor fees trend paid to the city vs collected (*includes spares, not the cost of balls*)

	2,019	2,018	2,017
Revenues	13,738.75	8,210.00	7,513.00
	1,150.00	571.00	282.00
Total Revenue	14,888.75	8,781.00	7,795.00
Total Expenditures	10,942.57	8,512.00	7,649.00
Variance (unfavourable)	3,946.18	269.00	146.00